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## IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A support structure comprising a support stand operable with a supported article, the support stand comprising:

a pair of main beams, wherein the main beams are parallel and are spaced apart from each other and wherein each main beam has a first end and a second end;

a pair of angle beams, wherein each angle beam has

a first end affixed to one of the main beams at an outwardly joining angle of from about 20 to about 60 degrees thereto, and

a second end,

wherein each main beam and its respective angle beam joined thereto define a pair of side pieces;

a pair of cross beams, wherein the cross beams are spaced apart from each other and are each affixed to the two side pieces to form a top frame which has a Y-shape when viewed from above; and

a support base comprising

a pair of leading columns, wherein one of the leading columns is affixed to and extends downwardly from each of the main beams, and

a pair of trailing columns, wherein one of the trailing columns is affixed to and extends downwardly from each of the angle beams.

- 2. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, wherein a length of each of the main beams is adjustable.
- 3. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, wherein a length of each of the leading columns and a length of each of the trailing columns is adjustable.
- 4. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, further including a caster at a lower end of each of the columns.

- 5. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, further including a lifting beam extending between the main beams.
- 6. (Original) The support structure of claim 5, wherein the lifting beam has a pair of suspension hooks on a lower side thereof remote from the top frame.
- 7. (Original) The support structure of claim 5, wherein the lifting beam has a pair of suspension hooks on a lower side thereof remote from the top frame, and wherein the pair of suspension hooks is spaced apart from each other by either 18 inches or 30 inches.
  - 8. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, further including an equipment rack affixed to the pair of leading columns.
- 9. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, wherein the joining angle is about 45 degrees.
- 10. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, wherein the support structure further includes the supported article.
- 11. (Original) The support structure of claim 1, wherein the support structure further includes the supported article, and wherein the supported article is an aircraft store.
- 12. (Original) A support structure comprising a support stand operable with a supported article, the support stand comprising:
- a pair of side pieces, wherein each side piece comprises

  a main beam, wherein a length of the main beam is adjustable, and
  an angle beam joined to the main beam at an outward joining angle of
  from about 20 to about 60 degrees thereto,

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wherein the main beams of the two side pieces are spaced apart from and parallel to each other;

a pair of cross beams, wherein the cross beams are spaced apart from each other and are each affixed to the two side pieces to form a top frame;

a support base extending downwardly from the top frame, the support base comprising

a pair of leading columns, wherein one of the leading columns is affixed to each of the main beams,

a pair of trailing columns, wherein one of the trailing columns is affixed to each of the angle beams,

wherein a length of each of the leading columns and a length of each of the trailing columns is adjustable, and

a caster at a lower end of each of the columns.

- 13. (Original) The support structure of claim 12, further including a lifting beam extending between the main beams.
- 14. (Original) The support structure of claim 13, wherein the lifting beam has a pair of suspension hooks on a lower side thereof remote from the top frame.
- 15. (Original) The support structure of claim 13, wherein the lifting beam has a pair of suspension hooks on a lower side thereof remote from the top frame, and wherein the pair of suspension hooks is spaced apart from each other by either 18 inches or 30 inches.
  - 16. (Original) The support structure of claim 12, further including an equipment rack affixed to the pair of leading columns.
- 17. (Original) The support structure of claim 12, wherein the joining angle is about 45 degrees.

- 18. (Original) The support structure of claim 12, wherein the support structure further includes the supported article.
- 19. (Original) The support structure of claim 12, wherein the support structure further includes the supported article, and wherein the supported article is an aircraft store.